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Lichens in this classification are distributed under the discomycetous, pyrenomycetous and basidiomycetous fungi, the larger part falling under the first. Angiospermæ are divided into only two sub-groups: Archiclamydeæ and Sympetalæ, the former including the Polypetalæ and most of the Apetalæ, and the latter the Gamopetalæ, as heretofore classified.

The citations of literature throughout the work are grouped at the end of each subject. There are three unusually full indexes, one of illustrations, one of subjects and one of plant names.

The work is a valuable addition to the present list of textbooks of botany. One can only regret that it is not also published in the English language.

NOTES AND NEWS.

CARL FRIEDRICH NYMAN, the author of the useful *Conspectus Floræ Europææ*, died recently in Stockholm.

DR. DIETRICH BRANDIS, the well-known forest botanist, has been called to a professorship in the University of Bonn.

PROFESSOR A. von Nordenskiöld, of Stockholm, has been elected a member of the Academy of Sciences at Paris to fill the place made vacant by the death of Alphonse DeCandolle.

THE EDITORIAL STAFF for the new "Standard Dictionary of the English Language," shortly to be published by Funk and Wagnalls Co., New York, includes the following botanists: F. H. Knowlton, Erwin F. Smith, David White and W. T. Swingle, all of Washington, D. C., in charge of botany, and A. A. Crozier in charge of pomology.

THE COMMITTEE of ten selected by the Botanical Club met on Wednesday morning, August 23, 1893, and, having previously prepared their first ballots proceeded to elect fifteen additional persons to become charter members of the American botanical society. Twelve were elected on the first ballot and the remaining three on the second. The following are the names of the twenty-five charter members:

Arthur, J. C.	Coulter, J. M.	Robinson, B. L.
Atkinson, G. F.	Coville, F. V.	Sargent, C. S.
Bailey, L. H.	Eaton, D. C.	Scribner, F. L.
Barnes, C. R.	Farlow, W. G.	Smith, J. Donnell.
Bessey, C. E.	Greene, E. L.	Thaxter, R.
Britton, N. L.	Halsted, B. D.	Trelease, W.
Britton, E. G.	Hollick, A.	Ward, L. F.
Campbell, D. H.	MacMillan, C.	Wilson, W. P.
		Underwood, L. M.